# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE AT NASHVILLE

In re:	Case No. 3:20-bk-03561
LIVINGSCAPES, LLC,	Chapter 11 Judge Harrison
Debtor.	DISCLOSURE STATEMENT DESCRIBING ORIGINAL CHAPTER 11 PLAN

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I.

#### INTRODUCTION

Livingscapes, LLC is the Debtor in a Chapter 11 bankruptcy case. On July 29, 2020, Debtor commenced a voluntary bankruptcy case by filing a Chapter 11 petition under the United States Bankruptcy Code ("Code"), 11 U.S.C. § 101 et seq. Chapter 11 allows the Debtor, and under some circumstances, creditors and others parties in interest, to propose a plan of reorganization ("Plan"). The Plan may provide for the Debtor to reorganize by continuing to operate, to liquidate by selling assets of the estate, or a combination of both. Debtor is the party proposing the Plan sent to you in the same envelope as this document. THE DOCUMENT YOU ARE READING IS THE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FOR THE ENCLOSED PLAN.

This is a reorganization plan. In other words, the Proponent seeks to accomplish payments under the Plan by using Debtor's income. The Effective Date of the proposed Plan is 45 days after confirmation.

#### A. Purpose of This Document

This Disclosure Statement summarizes what is in the Plan, and tells you certain information relating to the Plan and the process the Court follows in determining whether or not to confirm the Plan.

# READ THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT CAREFULLY IF YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT:

- (1) WHO CAN VOTE OR OBJECT,
- (2) WHAT THE TREATMENT OF YOUR CLAIM IS (i.e., what your claim will receive if the Plan is confirmed), AND HOW THIS TREATMENT COMPARES TO WHAT YOUR CLAIM WOULD RECEIVE IN LIQUIDATION,
- (3) THE HISTORY OF THE DEBTOR AND SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE BANKRUPTCY,

- (4) WHAT THINGS THE COURT WILL LOOK AT TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO CONFIRM THE PLAN,
- (5) WHAT IS THE EFFECT OF CONFIRMATION, AND
- (6) WHETHER THIS PLAN IS FEASIBLE.

This Disclosure Statement cannot tell you everything about your rights. You should consider consulting your own lawyer to obtain more specific advice on how this Plan will affect you and what is the best course of action for you.

Be sure to read the Plan as well as the Disclosure Statement. If there are any inconsistencies between the Plan and the Disclosure Statement, the Plan provisions will govern.

The Code requires a Disclosure Statement to contain "adequate information" concerning the Plan. The Bankruptcy Court ("Court") has approved this document as an adequate Disclosure Statement, containing enough information to enable parties affected by the Plan to make an informed judgment about the Plan. Any party can now solicit votes for or against the Plan.

# B. Deadlines for Voting and Objecting; Date of Plan Confirmation Hearing

THE COURT HAS NOT YET CONFIRMED THE PLAN DESCRIBED IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. IN OTHER WORDS, THE TERMS OF THE PLAN ARE NOT YET BINDING ON ANYONE. HOWEVER, IF THE COURT LATER CONFIRMS THE PLAN, THEN THE PLAN WILL BE BINDING ON THE DEBTOR AND ON ALL CREDITORS AND INTEREST HOLDERS IN THIS CASE.

#### 1. Time and Place of the Confirmation Hearing

The hearing where the Court will determine whether or not to confirm the Plan will take place at a yet to be determined date at 701 Broadway Ave., Nashville, TN 37203. Notice will be given regarding the date and time of this hearing.

#### 2. Deadline For Voting For or Against the Plan

If you are entitled to vote, it is in your best interest to timely vote on the enclosed ballot and return the ballot in the enclosed envelope to:

Steven L. Lefkovitz

618 Church St., Ste. 410

Nashville, TN 37219.

Your ballot must be timely received or it will not be counted.

# 3. Deadline For Objecting to the Confirmation of the Plan

Objections to the confirmation of the Plan must be filed with the Court and served upon Steven L. Lefkovitz, counsel for Debtor, by the date and time set by the Clerk's office.

# 4. Identity of Person to Contact for More Information Regarding the Plan

Any interested party desiring further information about the Plan should contact Steven L. Lefkovitz, (615) 256-8300, 618 Church St., Ste. 410, Nashville, TN 37219.

#### C. Disclaimer

The Debtor has made no separate appraisal of the Debtor's personal property assets but the Debtor believes that values contained herein are accurate. The Debtor believes this to be a fair and equitable estimate of the value of its assets as of the filing of this Disclosure Statement. The information contained in this Disclosure Statement is provided by the Debtor. The Plan Proponent represents that everything stated in the Disclosure Statement is true to the Proponent's best knowledge. The Court has not yet determined whether or not the Plan is confirmable and makes no recommendation as to whether or not you should support or oppose the Plan.

#### II.

#### **BACKGROUND**

# A. Description and History of the Debtor's Business

The corporation was formed in Tennessee on or about February 16, 2017 to provide landscaping services.

# B. Management of the Debtor Before and After the Bankruptcy

The Debtor managed its own affairs prior to the bankruptcy and will continue to manage its affairs after the bankruptcy. The Debtor is managed by James Livingston, who holds a 100%

interest in the company. While Mr. Livingston is in a personal Chapter 7 proceeding at the present time, the goal remains to try and allow the Debtor an opportunity to reorganize and continue as a going concern.

#### C. Events Leading to Chapter 11 Filing

Here is a brief summary of the circumstances that <u>led to the filing</u> of this Chapter 11 case:

Debtor's financial difficulties stem from two contingent, unliquidated and disputed claims of Cassie Burton and Milessa Thomas. Prior to the filing of the Chapter 11, the Debtor received two demand letters for alleged claims against the business. As a result, the Debtor availed himself to Chapter 11 in an effort to propose a reorganization plan.

# D. Significant Events During the Bankruptcy

## 1. Bankruptcy Proceedings

The following is a chronological list of significant events which have occurred <u>during</u> this case:

Order Granting Motion to Set Bar Date on August 13, 2020

Meeting of Creditors held as Scheduled on August 27, 2020.

An Order was entered granting application to employ Lefkovitz & Lefkovitz on September 9, 2020

An Order was entered granting application to employ Calhoun Law PLC as special counsel on May 3, 2021

An Order was entered extending the Small Business Deadline to File a Chapter 11 Plan to August 23, 2021 on May 20, 2021

An Agreed Order Resolving Trustee's Motion to Compel Turnover of Property on June 11, 2021.

There is a hearing scheduled on Matthew Murphy's Motion to Withdraw as Counsel for Cassie Burton and Milessa Thomas scheduled for August 31, 2021

Currently, there are no adversary proceedings pending.

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# 2. Other Legal Proceedings

There are no other legal proceedings currently pending involving the Debtor, but the Debtor intends on objecting to the claims of Cassie Burton and Milessa Thomas.

# 3. Actual and Projected Recovery of Preferential or Fraudulent Transfers

There is no projected recovery of any preferential or fraudulent transfers.

# 4. Procedures Implemented to Resolve Financial Problems

Debtor's financial problems primarily resulted from two claims that are contingent, unliquidated and disputed by claimants Cassie Burton and Milessa Thomas. The Debtor has attempted mediation but it was not successful. At this time, the Debtor intends on objecting to the claims of Cassie Burton and Milessa Thomas and will propose this Chapter 11 Plan in an effort to resolve the claims against Livingscapes, LLC.

#### 5. Current and Historical Financial Conditions

The identity and fair market value of the estate's assets are listed in Exhibit A. See also the Debtor's financial history set forth in the monthly operating reports which are summarized in Exhibit B.

#### III.

#### SUMMARY OF THE PLAN OF REORGANIZATION

# A. What Creditors and Interest Holders Will Receive Under The Proposed Plan

As required by the Bankruptcy Code, the Plan classifies claims and interests in various classes according to their right to priority. The Plan states whether each class of claims or interests is impaired or unimpaired. The Plan provides the treatment each class will receive.

#### B. Unclassified Claims

Certain types of claims are not placed into voting classes; instead they are unclassified.

They are not considered impaired and they do not vote on the Plan because they are

automatically entitled to specific treatment provided for them in the Bankruptcy Code. As such, the Proponent has <u>not</u> placed the following claims in a class.

#### 1. Administrative Expenses

Administrative expenses are claims for costs or expenses of administering the Debtor's Chapter 11 case which are allowed under Code section 507(a)(1). The Code requires that all administrative claims be paid on the Effective Date of the Plan, unless a particular claimant agrees to a different treatment.

There are no administrative claims under the plan except for any quarterly fees owed by the Debtors that may become due between now and the confirmation of the case. If the Debtor is able confirm the plan in the third quarter of 2021, then the Debtor estimates that two more quarterly fees will become due before the case can be confirmed and close. Additionally there may be unpaid attorney's fees for Steven L. Lefkovitz, Counsel for the Debtor-in-possession, which are subject to the approval of the Court. These fees would not likely be due on the effective date and Counsel for the Debtor may agree to defer payments in a mutually agreed upon payment plan.

# 2. Priority Tax Claims

Priority tax claims are certain unsecured income, employment and other taxes described by Code Section 507(a)(8). The Code requires that each holder of such a 507(a)(8) priority tax claim receive the present value of such claim in deferred cash payments, over a period not exceeding five years from the date of filing for relief in this case.

<u>Description</u>	Amount Owed	<u>Treatment</u>	
<ul> <li>Name = Tennessee Department of</li> <li>Revenue</li> <li>Type of tax = Estimated F&amp;E &amp;</li> <li>Business Tax</li> <li>Tax years = 2019</li> </ul>	\$1,866.69	<ul><li>Pymt interval</li><li>Pymt amt/interval</li><li>Begin date</li></ul>	= One Lump Sum Pmt = \$1,866.69 = Lump sum payment on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month following the Effective Date
		<ul><li>End date</li><li>Interest Rate %</li><li>Total Payout Amount</li></ul>	= Same as begin date = 0% = \$1,866.69

<u>Description</u>	Amount Owed	<u>Treatment</u>	
<ul> <li>Name = Tennessee Department of Revenue</li> <li>Type of tax = Estimated F&amp;E &amp; Business Tax</li> <li>Tax years = 2020</li> </ul>	\$1,815.97	<ul><li>Pymt interval</li><li>Pymt amt/interval</li><li>Begin date</li></ul>	= One Lump Sum Pmt = \$1,815.97 = Lump sum payment on the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month following the Effective Date
		<ul><li>End date</li><li>Interest Rate %</li><li>Total Payout Amount</li></ul>	= Same as begin date = 0% = \$1,815.97

# C. Classified Claims and Interests

# 1. Classes of Secured Claims

Secured claims are claims secured by liens on property of the estate. The following chart lists all classes containing Debtor's secured pre-petition claims and their treatment under this Plan:

CLASS #	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	INSIDERS (Y/N)	IMPAIRED (Y/N)	TR	REATMENT
3-A	Secured claim of:  Name = Stearns Bank  Collateral description = 2004 Izuzu NPR  Collateral value = \$8,000.00  Priority of security int. = First	N	Y	<ul><li>Pymt interval</li><li>Pymt amt/interval</li><li>Begin date</li></ul>	= Monthly = \$129.07 = 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month following Effective Date
	<ul> <li>Principal Owed = \$8,000.00</li> <li>Allowed secured claim amount = \$7,139.06</li> <li>Total unsecured split claim balance = \$0.00</li> </ul>			<ul> <li>End date</li> <li>Interest rate</li> <li>Treatment of Lien</li> </ul>	= 60 Months  = 3.25 = Retained until completion of plan payments. Upon receipt of the final plan payment the lien shall be released.

3-B	Secured claim of:  • Name = John Deere &	N	Y	Pymt interval	= Monthly
	Company			• Pymt	= \$158.36
	• Collateral description =			amt/interval	
	323 Compact Track Loader			Begin date	= 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month
	• Collateral value =				following Effective
	\$9,000.00				Date
	• Principal Owed =				
	\$8,758.90				50.34
	<ul><li>Allowed secured claim amount =</li></ul>			End date	= 60 Months
	\$8,758.90				
	Total unsecured split			Interest rate	= 3.25
	claim balance =			Treatment of	= Retained until
	\$0.00			Lien	completion of plan
					payments. Upon receip
					of the final plan
					payment the lien shall
					be released.

3-C	Secured claim of:  • Name = Synovus Bank  • Collateral description = Blanket Lien  • Collateral value = \$67,546.52  • Priority of security int. =	N	Y	<ul><li>Pymt interval</li><li>Pymt amt/interval</li><li>Begin date</li></ul>	= Monthly = \$199.17  = 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month following Effective
	First • Principal Owed = \$11,017.07 • Allowed secured claim amount = \$11,017.07 Total unsecured split claim balance = \$0.00			<ul> <li>End date</li> <li>Interest rate</li> <li>Treatment of Lien</li> </ul>	Date  = 60 Months  = 3.25  = Retained until completion of plan payments. Upon receipt of the final plan payment the lien shall be released.

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3-D	Secured claim of:  Name = US Small Business Administration  Collateral description = Blanket Lien  Collateral value = \$44,950  Priority of security int. = Second	N	Y	<ul> <li>Pymt interval</li> <li>Pymt amt/interval</li> <li>Begin date</li> </ul>	= Monthly = \$812.70 = 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month following Effective Date
	<ul> <li>Principal Owed = \$44,950</li> <li>Allowed secured claim amount =</li> </ul>			End date	= 60 Months
	\$125,804.56			Interest rate     Treetment of	= 3.25
	Total unsecured split claim balance = \$80,854.56			• Treatment of Lien	= Retained until completion of plan payments. Upon receipt of the final plan payment the lien shall be released.

# 2. Classes of Other Priority Unsecured Claims

Certain priority claims that are referred to in Code Sections 507(a)(3), (4), (5), (6), and (7) are required to be placed in classes. These types of claims are entitled to priority treatment as follows: the Code requires that each holder of such a claim receive cash on the Effective Date equal to the allowed amount of such claim. However, a class of unsecured priority claim holders may vote to accept deferred cash payments of a value, as of the Effective Date, equal to the allowed amount of such claims.

There are no other priority unsecured claims.

#### 3. Class of General Unsecured Claims

General unsecured claims are unsecured claims not entitled to priority under Code Section 507(a). The following chart identifies this Plan's treatment of the class containing <u>all</u> of Debtor's general unsecured claims (see Exhibit D for detailed information about each general unsecured claim):

CLASS#	DESCRIPTION	<u>IMPAIRED</u>	TREATMENT	-
		(Y/N)		
4	General unsecured claims  • Total amount of claims = \$3,585,554.46	Y, Claims in this class are entitled to vote on the plan.		= Monthly = \$1,500.00 = 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month following Effective Date = 5 years from Effective Date
			<ul><li>Interest rate</li><li>Total payout</li></ul>	= 0.00% = \$90,000.00

<sup>\*</sup>The claims of Cassie Burton and Milessa Thomas are contingent, unliquidated, and disputed, and the Debtor intends to object to these claims.

Monthly payments shall be made on a pro rata basis based on the value of each unsecured claim. Any plan payments returned to the Debtor by unsecured creditors shall become property of the reorganized Debtors.

#### 4. Class(es) of Interest Holders

Interest holders are the parties who hold ownership interest (i.e., equity interest) in the Debtor. If the Debtor is a corporation, entities holding preferred or common stock in the Debtor are interest holders. If the Debtor is a partnership, the interest holders include both general and limited partners. If the Debtor is an individual, the Debtor is the interest holder.

The following chart identifies this Plan's treatment of the class of interest holders:

CLASS#	DESCRIPTION	IMPAIRED (Y/N)	TREATMENT
5	Interest holders	N	Will maintain all stock

# D. Means of Effectuating the Plan

## 1. Funding for the Plan

The Plan will be funded by the following: Income from the continued operation of the tire sales and auto repair business.

# 2. Post-confirmation Management

The Debtor shall be responsible for post-confirmation management.

#### 3. Disbursing Agent

Debtor shall act as the disbursing agent for the purpose of making all distributions provided for under the Plan. The Disbursing Agent shall serve without bond and shall receive no compensation for distribution services rendered and expenses incurred pursuant to the Plan.

# E. Risk Factors

The proposed Plan has the following risks: The Plan, due to its nature of being funded over time, maintains a possibility of default if Debtor is unable to realize its current financial projections or somehow finds itself unable to maintain the same level of monthly income.

#### F. Other Provisions of the Plan

#### 1. Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

#### a. Assumptions

The Debtor does not wish to assume any executory contracts.

# b. Rejections

On the Effective Date, the following executory contracts and unexpired leases will be rejected:

All executory contracts and leases not explicitly assumed above.

The order confirming the Plan shall constitute an Order approving the rejection of the lease or contract. If you are a party to a contract or lease to be rejected and you object to the rejection of your contract or lease, you must file and serve your objection to the Plan within the deadline for objecting to the confirmation of the Plan.

THE BAR DATE FOR FILING A PROOF OF CLAIM OTHER THAN A
GOVERNMENTAL CLAIM WAS NOVEMBER 25, 2020, AND GOVERNMENTAL CLAIM
WAS FEBRUARY 23, 2021. Any claim based on the rejection of a contract or lease will be
barred unless the claim is made within thirty (30) days of the order confirming the Chapter 11
Plan.

## 2. Changes in Rates Subject to Regulatory Commission Approval

This Debtor is not subject to governmental regulatory commission approval of its rates.

#### 3. Retention of Jurisdiction.

The Court shall retain jurisdiction for purposes of granting a discharge to Debtor, determining any and all objections to the amounts of claims, applications for compensation and expenses, to enforce the provisions of the Plan, to correct any defect, cure any omissions or reconcile any inconsistency in the Plan, and to determine such other matters as may be provided for in the Order of the Court confirming the Plan.

#### **G.** Tax Consequences of Plan

CREDITORS AND INTEREST HOLDERS CONCERNED WITH HOW THE PLAN MAY AFFECT THEIR TAX LIABILITY SHOULD CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN ACCOUNTANTS, ATTORNEYS, AND/OR ADVISORS. The following disclosure of possible tax consequences is intended solely for the purpose of alerting readers about possible tax issues this Plan may present to the Debtor. The Proponent CANNOT and DOES NOT represent that the tax consequences contained below are the only tax consequences of the Plan because the Tax Code embodies many complicated rules which make it difficult to state completely and accurately all the tax implications of any action.

The Debtor is unaware of any tax consequences which the Plan will have on the Debtor's tax liability.

#### IV.

# CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

PERSONS OR ENTITIES CONCERNED WITH CONFIRMATION OR THIS PLAN SHOULD CONSULT WITH THEIR OWN ATTORNEYS BECAUSE THE LAW ON CONFIRMING A PLAN OF REORGANIZATION IS VERY COMPLEX. The following discussion is intended solely for the purpose of alerting readers about basic confirmation issues, which they may wish to consider, as well as certain deadlines for filing claims. The proponent CANNOT and DOES NOT represent that the discussion contained below is a complete summary of the law on this topic.

Many requirements must be met before the Court can confirm a Plan. Some of the requirements include that the Plan must be proposed in good faith, acceptance of the Plan, whether the Plan pays creditors at least as much as creditors would receive in a Chapter 7 liquidation, and whether the Plan is feasible. These requirements are <u>not</u> the only requirements for confirmation.

# A. Who May Vote or Object

#### 1. Who May Object to Confirmation of the Plan

Any party in interest may object to the confirmation of the Plan, but as explained below not everyone is entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

# 2. Who May Vote to Accept/Reject the Plan

A creditor or interest holder has a right to vote for or against the Plan if that creditor or interest holder has a claim which is both (1) allowed or allowed for voting purposes and (2) classified in an impaired class.

#### a. What Is an Allowed Claim/Interest

As noted above, a creditor or interest holder must first have an <u>allowed claim or interest</u> to have the right to vote. Generally, any proof of claim or interest will be allowed, unless a party in interest brings a motion objecting to the claim. When an objection to a claim or interest is filed, the creditor or interest holder holding the claim or interest cannot vote unless the Court, after notice and hearing, either overrules the objection or allows the claim or interest for voting purposes.

THE BAR DATE FOR FILING A PROOF OF CLAIM OTHER THAN A
GOVERNMENTAL CLAIM WAS NOVEMBER 25, 2020, AND GOVERNMENTAL CLAIM
WAS FEBRUARY 23, 2021. A creditor or interest holder may have an allowed claim or
interest even if a proof of claim or interest was not timely filed. A claim is deemed allowed if
(1) it is scheduled on the Debtor's schedules and such claim is not scheduled as disputed,
contingent, or unliquidated, and (2) no party in interest has objected to the claim. An interest is
deemed allowed if it is scheduled and no party in interest has objected to the interest.

#### b. What Is an Impaired Claim/Interest

As noted above, an allowed claim or interest only has the right to vote if it is in a class that is <u>impaired</u> under the Plan. A class is impaired if the Plan alters the legal, equitable, or contractual rights of the members of that class. For example, a class comprised of general unsecured claims is impaired if the Plan fails to pay the members of that class 100% of what they are owed.

In this case, the Proponent believes that class 3 and 4 are impaired and that holders of claims in this class are therefore entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan. The Proponent believes that all other classes are unimpaired and that holders of claims in each of these classes therefore do not have the right to vote to accept or reject the Plan. Parties who dispute the Proponent's characterization of their claim or interest as being impaired or unimpaired may file an objection to the Plan contending that the Proponent has incorrectly characterized the class.

#### 3. Who is **Not** Entitled to Vote

The following four types of claims are <u>not</u> entitled to vote: (1) claims that have been disallowed; (2) claims in unimpaired classes; (3) claims entitled to priority pursuant to Code sections 507(a)(1), (a)(2), and (a)(8); and (4) claims in classes that do not receive or retain any value under the Plan. Claims in unimpaired classes are not entitled to vote because such classes are deemed to have accepted the Plan. Claims entitled to priority pursuant to Code sections 507(a)(1), (a)(2), and (a)(7) are not entitled to vote because such claims are not placed in classes and they are required to receive certain treatment specified by the Code. Claims in classes that do not receive or retain any value under the Plan do not vote because such classes are deemed to have rejected the Plan. EVEN IF YOUR CLAIM IS OF THE TYPE DESCRIBED ABOVE, YOU MAY STILL HAVE A RIGHT TO OBJECT TO THE CONFIRMATION OF THE PLAN.

#### 4. Who Can Vote in More Than One Class

A creditor whose claim has been allowed in part as a secured claim and in part as an unsecured claim is entitled to accept or reject a Plan in both capacities by casting one ballot for the secured part of the claim and another ballot for the unsecured claim.

#### 5. Votes Necessary to Confirm the Plan

If impaired classes exist, the Court cannot confirm the Plan unless (1) at least one impaired class has accepted the Plan without counting the votes of any insiders within that class, and (2) all impaired classes have voted to accept the Plan, unless the Plan is eligible to be confirmed by "cramdown" on non-accepting classes, as discussed later in Section {IV.A.8.}.

#### 6. Votes Necessary for a Class to Accept the Plan

A class of claims is considered to have accepted the Plan when more than one-half (1/2) in number and at least two-thirds (2/3) in dollar amount of the claims which actually voted, voted in favor of the Plan. A class of interests is considered to have accepted the Plan when at least two-thirds (2/3) in amount of the interest-holders of such class which actually voted, voted to accept the Plan.

#### 7. Treatment of Nonaccepting Classes

As noted above, even if <u>all</u> impaired classes do not accept the proposed Plan, the Court may nonetheless confirm the Plan if the nonaccepting classes are treated in the manner required by the Code. The process by which nonaccepting classes are forced to be bound by the terms of the Plan is commonly referred to as "cramdown." The Code allows the Plan to be "crammed down" on nonaccepting classes of claims or interests if it meets all consensual requirements except the voting requirements of 1129(a)(8) and if the Plan does not "discriminate unfairly" and is "fair and equitable" toward each impaired class that has not voted to accept the Plan as referred to in 11 U.S.C. § 1129(b) and applicable case law.

# 8. Request for Confirmation Despite Nonacceptance by Impaired Class(es)

The party proposing this Plan will ask the Court to confirm this Plan by cramdown on impaired classes 3 and 4 if that class does not vote to accept the Plan.

# **B.** Liquidation Analysis

Another confirmation requirement is the "Best Interest Test", which requires a liquidation analysis. Under the Best Interest Test, if a claimant or interest holder is in an impaired class and that claimant or interest holder does not vote to accept the Plan, then that claimant or interest holder must receive or retain under the Plan property of a value not less than the amount that such holder would receive or retain if the Debtor were liquidated under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code.

In a Chapter 7 case, the Debtor's assets are usually sold by a Chapter 7 trustee. Secured creditors are paid first from the sales proceeds of properties on which the secured creditor has a lien. Administrative claims are paid next. Next, unsecured creditors are paid from any remaining sales proceeds, according to their rights to priority. Unsecured creditors with the same priority share in proportion to the amount of their allowed claim in relationship to the amount of total allowed unsecured claims. Finally, interest holders receive the balance that remains after all creditors are paid, if any.

For the Court to be able to confirm this Plan, the Court must find that all creditors and interest holders who do not accept the Plan will receive at least as much under the Plan as such

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holders would receive under a Chapter 7 liquidation. The Plan Proponent maintains that this requirement is met here for the following reasons: Creditors will receive at least as much as they would in a Chapter 7 liquidation case.

Below is a demonstration, in balance sheet format, that all creditors and interest holders will receive at least as much under the Plan as such creditor or interest holder would receive under a Chapter 7 liquidation. (See Exhibit A for a detailed explanation of how the following assets are valued. This information is provided by the Debtor.):

ASSETS VALUE AT LIQUIDATION VALUES:	
CURRENT ASSETS a. Security Deposits b. Checking Accounts	\$ 0.00 \$ 12,658.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 12,658.00
FIXED ASSETS a. Finished Goods b. Office Furniture  TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	\$ 0.00 \$ 1,000.00 \$ 1,000.00
OTHER ASSETS a. Accounts receivable b. Inventory c. Business Equipment	\$ 5,877.00 \$ 8,430.00 \$ 28,002.04
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	\$ 42,309.04
TOTAL ASSETS AT LIQUIDATION VALUE	\$55,967.04 ======
Less: Secured creditor's recovery Less: Chapter 7 trustee fees and expenses	\$ 152,719.59 \$ 0.00
Less: Chapter 11 administrative expenses Less:	\$ 0.00
Priority claims, excluding administrative expense claims  Less:	\$ 3,682.66
Debtor's claimed exemptions	\$ 0.00

(1) Balance for unsecured claims	\$ 0.00
(2) Total amt of unsecured claims	\$ 3,597,133.51

ESTIMATED % OF THEIR CLAIMS WHICH UNSECURED CREDITORS WOULD RECEIVE OR RETAIN IN A CH. 7 LIQUIDATION: = 0.00% ESTIMATED % OF THEIR CLAIMS WHICH UNSECURED CREDITORS WILL RECEIVE OR RETAIN UNDER THIS PLAN: = 2.50%

Below is a demonstration, in tabular format, which shows that all creditors and interest holders will receive at least as much under the Plan as such creditor or holder would receive under a Chapter 7 liquidation.

CLAIMS & CLASSES	PAYOUT PERCENTAGE UNDER THE PLAN	PAYOUT PERCENTAGE IN CHAPTER 7 LIQUIDATION
Priority Claims	100%	0%
Class 3 – Secured Claims	36.64	36.64*
Class 4 – Unsecured Claims	2.50%	0.00

This amount may be further reduced by Chapter 7 Trustees fees and expenses.

# C. Feasibility

Another requirement for confirmation involves the feasibility of the Plan, which means that confirmation of the Plan is not likely to be followed by the liquidation, or the need for further financial reorganization, of the Debtor or any successor to the Debtor under the Plan, unless such liquidation or reorganization is proposed in the Plan.

There are at least two important aspects of a feasibility analysis. The first aspect considers whether the Debtor will have enough cash on hand on the Effective Date of the Plan to pay all the claims and expenses which are entitled to be paid on such date. The Plan Proponent maintains that this aspect of feasibility is satisfied as illustrated here:

Cash Debtor will have on hand by Effective Date	\$ 21,055.90
To Pay: Administrative claims	<u>- 0.00</u>

Note: If this percentage is greater than the amount to be paid to the unsecured creditors on a "present value basis" under the Plan, the Plan is not confirmable unless Proponent obtains acceptance by every creditor in the general unsecured class.

To Pay: Statutory costs & charges	<u>- 0.00</u>
To Pay: Other Plan Payments due on Effective Date	<u>- 0.00</u>
Balance after paying these amounts	<u>\$ 45,885.02</u>

The sources of the cash Debtor will have on hand by the Effective Date, as shown above are:

\$ 12,658.00	Cash in DIP Account now
+ 8,397.90	Additional cash DIP will accumulate from net earnings between now and Effective Date
+ 0.00	Borrowing
+ 0.00	Capital Contributions
- 0.00	Administrative Expenses
\$ 21,055.90	Total

The second aspect considers whether the Proponent will have enough cash over the life of the Plan to make the required Plan payments.

The Proponent has provided financial statements which include both historical and projected financial information. Please refer to the monthly operating reports for the relevant financial statements. YOU ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT WITH YOUR ACCOUNTANT OR FINANCIAL ADVISOR IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

In summary, the Plan proposes to pay \$2,799.30 each month plus \$3,682.66 as a lump sum payment on the first day of the month following the Effective Date for taxes. Debtor's financials since filing Chapter 11 reflect that the Debtor's business is seasonal and while the Debtor has had some recent significant fluctuations the Debtor believes that this amount is attainable. The final Plan payment is expected to be paid in the winter of 2026. Debtor's actual

current income and expenses are attached below in Exhibit B. Debtor shows a monthly loss but the average up to June was showing a profit and the Debtor contends that Debtor's plan payment is feasible.

# D. POTENTIAL NON-COMPLIANCE OF THE ABSOLUTE PRIORITY RULE

NOTICE is hereby given that the proposed plan potentially does not comply with the absolute priority rule of Section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, and absent consent of creditors, the plan may be non-confirmable. Creditors and parties in interest should consider that fact before voting for or against the plan of reorganization.

V.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

#### A. Conflict; Plan Controls.

To the extent that any provisions of this Plan conflict with any of the terms or conditions of any note, security agreement, loan agreement, deed of trust or similar instrument, the provisions of this Plan shall control.

#### B. Payments During Bankruptcy Applied First to Principal.

To the extent that any Claimant treated under this Plan has, prior to the Effective Date of the Plan, received any payments from any source on any obligation treated in this Plan, any such payments shall be applied first to principal.

#### C. Conflict; Plan Controls.

To the extent that any provisions of this Plan conflict with any of the terms or conditions of any note, security agreement, loan agreement, deed of trust or similar instrument, the provisions of this Plan shall control.

# D. Prepayment of Plan Obligations.

The Debtor shall be permitted without penalty to prepay any obligation under this Plan prior to the due date or maturity date of such obligation. There shall be no penalty for any such prepayment.

# E. Payments Due Only on Business Days.

Whenever any payment or distribution to be made under the Plan shall be due on a day other than a business day, such payment or distribution shall instead be made, without interest, on the next business day.

#### F. Cure Period.

The Debtor shall be entitled to a fifteen (15) day grace period for all payment obligations arising pursuant to this Plan.

#### VI.

#### EFFECT OF CONFIRMATION OF PLAN

# A. Discharge

This Plan provides that on the date the case is confirmed, the Debtor shall be discharged from any debt that arose before confirmation of the Plan to the extent specified in §1141(d)(1)(A) of the Code, except that the Debtor shall not be discharged of any debt (i) imposed by the Plan, (ii) of a kind specified in §1141(d)(6)(A), or (iii) of a kind specified in §1141(d)(6)(B). After the confirmation date of the Plan creditors' claims against the Debtor will be limited to the debts described in the plan.

#### **B.** Revesting of Property in the Debtor

Except as provided elsewhere in the Plan, the confirmation of the Plan revests all of the property of the estate in the Debtor.

#### C. Modification of Plan

The Proponent of the Plan may modify the Plan at any time before confirmation. However, the Court may require a new disclosure statement and/or revoting on the Plan.

The Proponent of the Plan may also seek to modify the Plan at any time after confirmation only if (1) the Plan has not been substantially consummated <u>and</u> (2) the Court authorizes the proposed modifications after notice and a hearing.

# **D.** Post-Confirmation Status Reports

The Debtor shall furnish post-confirmation quarterly reports by the 15th of the month following the end of the quarter. This obligation of the Debtor shall continue after the Final Decree is entered in this matter until all Plan payments have been completed.

# E. Quarterly Fees

Quarterly fees accruing under 28 U.S.C. § 1930(a)(6) to date of confirmation shall be paid to the United States Trustee on or before the effective date of the plan. Quarterly fees accruing under 28 U.S.C. § 1930(a)(6) after confirmation shall be paid to the United States Trustee in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1930(a)(6) until entry of a final decree, or entry of an order of dismissal or conversion to chapter 7.

#### F. Post-Confirmation Conversion/Dismissal

A creditor or party in interest may bring a motion to convert or dismiss the case under § 1112(b), after the Plan is confirmed, if there is a default in performing the Plan. If the Court orders, the case converted to Chapter 7 after the Plan is confirmed, then all property that had been property of the Chapter 11 estate, and that has not been disbursed pursuant to the Plan, will revest in the Chapter 7, estate. The automatic stay will be reimposed upon the revested property, but only to the extent that relief from stay was not previously authorized by the Court during this case.

The order confirming the Plan may also be revoked under very limited circumstances. The

Court may revoke the order if the order of confirmation was procured by fraud and if the party in

interest brings an adversary proceeding to revoke confirmation within 180 days after the entry of

the order of confirmation.

G. **Final Decree** 

Once the estate has been fully administered as referred to in Bankruptcy Rule 3022, the

Plan Proponent, or other party as the Court shall designate in the Plan Confirmation Order, shall

file a motion with the Court to obtain a final decree to close the case.

Date: August 20, 2021

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# VI.

# SUPPORTING DECLARATIONS EXHIBIT A - LIST OF ALL ASSETS

LIVINGSCAPES - Liquidation Analysis					
	Secured				
Market Value	Value	Equity	Description		
		\$12,658.0			
\$12,658.00	\$0.00	0	Bank Accounts*	<b></b>	
<b>#</b> 5.077.00	<b>40.00</b>	<b>45.077.00</b>	Accounts		
\$5,877.00	\$0.00	\$5,877.00	Receivable*	<del>                                     </del>	
\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	Office Furniture		
\$8,430.00	\$0.00	\$8,430.00	Inventory		
\$8,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	2006 Izuzu		
\$8,000.00	\$7,139.06	\$860.94	2004 Izuzu		
\$15,000.00	\$8,758.90	\$6,241.10	Skid Loader		
			Kaufman Dump		
\$6,500.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00	Trailer		
			Push Mower, ZTR,		
\$6,400.00	\$0.00	\$6,400.00	Walk Behind		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Retainer		
			Insurance		
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Proceeds		
		\$55,967.0			
\$71,865.00	\$15,897.96	4	Totals		
Liquidation Value of Estate		0			
Net Value of Estate		\$0.00			
Less Trustee Fees		\$0.00			
Less Priority Creditors		\$3,682.66			_
		,			
Amount Available for		(\$3,682.66			
Unsecured Creditors		)			
*Using Data from the July		,			
2021 Operating Report					

<sup>\*</sup>Synovus Bank & SBA appear to have a blanket lien on all assets

that exceed the value of the assets

The combined amount of both claims are \$136821.63

Debtor anticipates the retainer paid to Colin Calhoun to be exhausted and values it at \$0.00 but Schedule A/B reflects \$10,000.

The insurance proceeds were combined in with the DIP account. There was no lien on the proceeds.

# EXHIBIT B – DEBTOR'S MONTHLY INCOME AND EXPENSES DURING THE PENDANCY OF THE BANKRUPTCY CASE

Income &					
Expenses					
	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20
Income	\$167,418.00	\$105,121.00	\$50,323.00	\$74,901.00	\$61,156.00
Expense	\$80,124.00	\$101,207.00	\$91,671.00	\$49,707.00	\$91,052.00
Profit	\$87,294.00	\$3,914.00	(\$41,348.00)	\$25,194.00	(\$29,896.00)
	Jan-21	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21
Income	\$39,285.00	\$92,058.00	\$41,596.00	\$66,300.00	\$71,735.00
Expense	\$48,772.00	\$61,795.00	\$55,910.00	\$52,116.00	\$88,886.00
Profit	(\$9,487.00)	\$30,263.00	(\$14,314.00)	\$14,184.00	(\$17,151.00)
	Jun-21	Jul-21			
Income	\$92,255.00	\$116,691.00			
Expense	\$120,518.00	\$168,025.00			
Profit	(\$28,263.00)	(\$51,334.00)			
			Average		
			\$81,569.92		
		_	\$84,148.58		_
			(\$2,578.67)		

# **EXHIBIT C - LIST OF GENERAL UNSECURED CLAIMS**

EXHIBIT C - LIST OF GENERAL						
UNSECURED CREDITORS						
Name	Insider	Impaired	Amt			
		-				
AMERICAN EXPRESS	N	Y	\$13,544.35			
NATIONAL BANK						
CASSIE BURTON*	N	Y	\$3,000,000.00			
MILESSA THOMAS*	N	Y	\$500,000.00			
TENNESSEE DEPT OF	N	Y	\$146.00			
<b>REVENUE**</b>						
TORO EXMARK***	N	Y	\$2,589.00			
US SMALL BUSINESS	N	Y	\$80,854.56			
ADMINISTRATION****			, ,			
Total Amount			\$3,597,133.91			
*The Debtor has scheduled these two	claims as cont	tingent, unliqu	idate, and dispute	ed, and reserves the	e right to object	
to them.		<i>y</i> , <b>1</b>	, •	,	•	
**This amount reflects the General Unsecured portion of the claim only.						
***Toro Exmark was originally believed be secured but upon further research the Debtor believes it is a credit card.						
As a result Toro Exmark is being listed as unsecured but Debtor reserves the right to amend if it is proven to be						
secured						
****This is the split claim unsecure	ed balance.					